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DIODE MULTIPLEXER CIRCUIT AND ELECTRONIC

DEVICE INCORPORATING THE SAME

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Som /s entered J. Namillar 1/2/03

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated March 26, 2003, the Applicant hereby requests amendment of the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A multiplexer circuit for switching a selected one of a plurality of current inputs carried by respective input lines to a common output, and circuit comprising, for each respective input line:

a diode clamp including first and second clamp terminals and first and second clamp diodes arranged in series with the same polarity between said clamp terminals; and isolation means provided between each respective input line and said common output,